Number of women in central forces

†1129. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of women in Central Forces at present;

(b) whether Government intend to increase the number of women in Central forces; and

(c) if so, what would be the number of increase and by when the same would be done?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Percentage of women in Central Industrial Security Force is 3.15 and in Central Reserve Police Force it is 1.67. In the Border Guarding Forces namely Assam Rifles, Border Security Force, Indo Tibetan Border Police and Sashstra Seema Bal, the representation is less than 1%.

(b) and (c) The strength of women will be increased gradually taking into account the constraints on their deployment, postings, etc.

Increasing consumption of narcotic drugs in Punjab and Haryana

1130. SHRI NARESH GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that consumption of narcotic drugs is increasing in Punjab and Haryana;

(b) whether any survey has been made to assess the number of youth who are victim of drug abuse in these States;

(c) if so, how many raids were conducted by the concerned department since January, 2007, quantities of the psychotropic drugs seized and the number of smuggler arrested; and

(d) whether quantum of these discoveries was more during same period of the last year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) and (b) No state specific survey in this regard has been done.

(c) and (d) No separate data on the raids conducted by various drug law enforcement agencies is reported to the Narcotics Control Bureau. Details regarding the quantity of major drugs seized, the number of cases and the number of persons arrested in connection with drug trafficking during the period January to June, 2007 and January to June 2006, in the states of Punjab and Haryana, as reported to the Narcotics Control Bureau are as under:

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

January to June, 2007

(Qty. in Kg.) (Provisional)

State	Heroin			Hashish			Opium			Ganja		
	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested
Punjab	122	525	586	91	50	55	166	177	207	205	49	0
Haryana	14	39	55	138	138	165	47	56	83	114	25	21

January to June, 2006

(Qty. in Kg.)

State	Heroin			Hashish			Opium			Ganja		
	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested	Qty.	Cases	Persons Arrested
Punjab	51	579	645	61	49	49	242	274	318	220	49	0
Haryana	2	53	59	89	87	89	45	61	79	134	33	42

Naxal violence

1131. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a two-day (26-27 June, 2007) economic blockade was called by Naxals in six States and Jharkhand Bandh on 1st, August, 2007;

(b) if so, its objectives, its repercussions, loss to property, life and infrastructure;

(c) whether Naxals are disrupting public/private intfastructure plants and have become biggest challenge for internal security in mineral-rich States;

(d) what is overall scenario like persons (PoJice-civilians) killed/injured in Naxal violence in country/States, districts/police stations affected during last three years and current year; and

(e) what steps Government have taken to control the menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the economic blockade on 26-27 June, 2007, there were about 20 incidents, with damage to Government property. In the bandh on 1st August, 2007, there were about 7 incidents, with damage to Government property and death of 1 civilian.

(c) The naxalites have been observed to be targeting certain types of Government buildings and infrastructure pertaining to road and rail communications and, in some cases in recent months, power transmission facilities. Action is being taken continuously by the State Governments to minimize such possibilities and to strengthen related security arrangements.